

# Upper Uwchlan Township BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

March 13, 2012 4:00 p.m. Minutes

**Approved** 

In attendance: Kevin Kerr, Chair Cathy Tomlinson, Supervisor Cary Vargo, Township Manager Al Gaspari, Codes Administrator Chief DeMarco

McMahon Associates: Chris Williams, Harry Orlando, Kevin Conahan

Kevin Kerr called the workshop to order at 4:00 p.m.

#### **Eagle Scout Project Proposal**

Al Gaspari introduced Jeff Hardy, Eagle Scout candidate, who proposes installing a dog park in Hickory Park: 25 yards x 75 yards, fenced area, potential agility course, benches, signs, trash/recycling containers, etc. The location would most likely be across the driveway by the tennis courts. Jeff is responsible for the costs (@ \$5,000) and to coordinate Contractors and other Scouts/volunteers to complete the project. The Supervisors were impressed with Jeff's presentation. The Board will contact Jeff once long-term maintenance and liability issues have been investigated.

## Adaptive Traffic Signal Control Project - Bid Results

Cary Vargo explained that the Township/McMahon advertised specifications to install an adaptive traffic signal control system for 11 traffic signals along Route 100, Graphite Mine and Little Conestoga Road. The bids were opened February 29 with the results very close to the estimated budget (\$700,000). The specifications included several alternative items, such as a left turn lane for southbound traffic at East Township Line Road.

Chris Williams added that the adaptive system is more responsive than the current closed-loop system we have. There are two slightly different systems, ACS and InSync, but they are equally effective.

#### The alternatives included:

- #1 Software addition
- #2 Battery back-up power for several lights in Upper Uwchlan currently without
- #3 Substitute infrared for the light at Fellowship Road
- #4 Left-turn lane onto East Township Line Road
- #5 Battery back-up power and tie-in via fiber with West Vincent's light at 100 & 401 (Regional cooperation. West Vincent will be asked to contribute \$5,200 toward the battery back-up costs.)

Chris explained these alternatives were not included in the original scope of the ARLE Grant and even though they are within the estimated budget, they need PennDOT approval prior to being awarded. PennDOT is award of the circumstances and we should know their determination within a few weeks.

### Township Manager's Report

Cary reviewed his report with highlights including: the Park Road bridge decking will be poured the week of March 19; the pension plan funds are steadily improving; the Township and Municipal Authority audits have been completed; high usage of Fellowship Fields continues and requests for a shelter (pavilion) have been expressed. While the Board typically does not favor mid-year, non-budgeted expenses, an open pavilion is not out of the question and should be researched. Cary will provide estimates, including lightning arrestment hardware.

## <u>Adjournment</u>

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Kevin adjourned the Workshop at 5:07 p.m. and the Board proceeded to an Executive Session regarding real estate.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen A. Jonik Township Secretary